

TOWN OF LOOMIS

ACTION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF
LOOMIS TOWN COUNCIL
LOOMIS TOWN HALL,
6140 HORSESHOE BAR ROAD, SUITE K
LOOMIS, CA 95650

TUESDAY

DECEMBER 11, 2007

7:00 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to cited authority, the Town Council will hold a closed session to discuss the following listed items. A report of any action taken will be presented prior to adjournment of the regular meeting.

a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR. Pursuant to Section 54957.6 of the Government

Code:

Agency Negotiator: Perry Beck, Town Manager

Employee Organizations: Maintenance Workers (Operating Engineers Local 39) and

Loomis Diversified Employees Group

b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.

Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision Section 54956.9: One potential case

TUESDAY

DECEMBER 11, 2007

7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Call to order by Mayor Millward at 7:37 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mayor Millward
Councilmember Kelley
Councilmember Morillas
Councilmember Scherer
Councilmember Ucovich

STATEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

- a. No action taken
- b. No action taken

AT THIS TIME SELECTION OF MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEMPORE FOR THE TERM DECEMBER 2007 THROUGH THE SEATING OF THE NEW MAYOR AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 2008 WILL OCCUR. (Need motion for both appointments)

A motion was made to appoint Councilmember Kelley as Mayor for 2008. On motion by Councilmember Morillas, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice vote.

A motion was made to appoint Councilmember Scherer as Mayor pro tempore for 2008. On motion by Councilmember Morillas, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.

AT THIS TIME THE NEW MAYOR WILL GIVE RECOGNITION TO THE OUT GOING MAYOR AND TAKE A 10 MINUTE RECESS FOR REFRESHMENTS.

Recess at 7:48 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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MATTERS OF INTEREST TO COUNCILMEMBERS

Councilmember Ucovich noted the following:

- the flashing yellow lights on Sierra College coming from King Road are not working
- a citizen asked if the Town can require the dumpster next to Fox's Automotive to be enclosed
- ... the League of Cities will have an initiative on the ballot regarding private property rights

Councilmember Scherer stated the following:

- recognized staff for working with Raley's on planting trees and complying with our tree ordinance
- Tonight there is a benfit held in Sacramento where Mukhtar Mai from Pakistan is raising funds to benefit women schools in Pakistan
- Mukhtar Mai was brought over from one of our local citizens, Jack Morris
- Asked Council if we could recognize Jack Morris at our next meeting, for his contributions of bringing this important issue to the attention of the region

Councilmember Millward would like to have green development construction and solar use as an item for discussion on the next agenda.

Councilmember Morillas

- commended Henry Schneider, Loomis Chamber of Commerce president, for helping in a fund raiser at the Chamber Mixer last week
- the fund raiser was for Austen Doupnik 's senior project and they were able to raise over \$2800 to help for our local community Food Basket

Mayor Kelley stated the following:

- asked Council to look at the Town Manager's list and any ideas Council may want to discuss on future agendas and prioritize it
- We need to take a look at widening the bike lane on the south side of Horseshoe Bar Road

All items on the agenda will be open for public comment before final action is taken. Speakers are requested to restrict comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within a five-minute time limit. The Mayor has the discretion of limiting the total discussion time for an item. Written Material Introduced Into the Record: Citizens wishing to introduce written material into the record at the public hearing on any item are requested to provide a copy of the written material to the Town Clerk prior to the public hearing date so that the material may be distributed to the Town Council prior to the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT: This time is reserved for those in the audience who wish to address the Town Council on subjects that are not on the Agenda. The audience should be aware that the Council may not discuss details or vote on non-agenda items. Your concerns may be referred to staff or placed on the next available agenda. Please note that comments from the public will also be taken on any item on the agenda. The time allotted to each speaker is five minutes.

There was no public comment.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made to adopt the Agenda. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Millward and passed by voice vote.

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR: All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Council to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion unless an audience member or Councilmember requests otherwise, in which case, the item will be removed for separate consideration.

A motion was made to adopt the Consent Agenda, pulling item 7 forward for discussion. On motion by Councilmember Morillas, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.

| CONSENT AGENDA | | RECOMMENDED ACTION |
|----------------|---|--------------------|
| 1. | Council Minutes — 11/6/07 11/13/07 Councilmember Scherer Abstalning | APPROVE APPROVE |
| 2. | Monthly Check Register - November | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 3. | Statement of Activity | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 4. | Treasurer's Report | RECEIVE AND FILE |

| 5. | Planning Status Report | RECEIVE AND FILE |
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| 6. | Update On The Loomis Annual Clean-Up Day | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 8. | Improvement Plans and Specifications for the Del Mar Culvert Repair Project and Authorize Staff to Advertise For Bids | APPROVE |
| 9. | Fleet Modernization Program, Authorize Staff to Advertise For Bids to Purchase a New Backhoe and Medium Size Flatbed Truck | APPROVE |
| 10. | Receipt of 2007 Fiscal Audit From Boler and Associates | RECEIVE AND FILE |
| 11. | Incoming Mayor's Recommended Committee Assignments | <i>APPROVE</i> |
| 12. | A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Loomis Supporting the Issuance of a Postal Stamp in Honor of Mayor Tom Bradley | ADOPT RESOLUTION Resolution 07-29 |

CONSENT ITEMS FORWARDED

7. A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Loomis
Accepting the Proposals from Good Nature Landscape and
Maintenance and Direct the Town manager to Enter Into an
Agreement Acceptable to the Town Attorney to provide
Landscape maintenance Services for the Hunter Oaks
Subdivision and the town Corporation Yard

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Councilmember Ucovich asked what the landscapers will be maintaining under" lawn care" in their agreement.

Perry Beck, Town Manager, pointed out they will be maintaining along the frontage of Hunter Oaks, the landscape area between the sidewalk and the fence.

A motion was made to adopt Resolution 07-28, accepting the proposals from Good Nature Landscape and Maintenance and direct the Town manager to enter into an agreement acceptable to the Town attorney to provide landscape maintenance services for the Hunter Oaks Subdivision and the Town corporation yard. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich, seconded by Councilmember Scherer and passed by voice

PUBLIC HEARING

13. Appeal of Planning Commission's Decision

On October 17, 2007 the Planning Commission denied a minor use permit, design review and sign permit, to allow the operation of a retail center for plants and outdoor décor sales at 3587 Taylor Road near the intersection of Webb Street and King Road

Recommended action: Affirm the Planning Commissions' decision to deny the appeal **Public hearing:**

The applicant asked to have this item postponed until the next Council meeting on January 8. 2008.

14. Fence and Wall Regulations (Continued from November 13, 2007)

Consider proposed draft Zoning Ordinance revisions for entire Town of Loomis regarding Fence and Wall regulations

Recommended action: Hold first reading by title only, waiving reading Public hearing:

Janet Thew, 6572 St. Francis Circle, stated the following:

- propose the restriction to spike tops
- potential injury to wildlife it happened in her neighbors back yard
- spike tops say "keep out" to her, not a small town feature

Ed Summers, 3400 Sierra College Boulevard, stated the following:

- you are getting too technical when it comes to fences
- He has a three foot berm in front of his house that the County created
- He would only be able to build a three foot fence on top of the berm and that wouldn't keep his animals in

Irene Smith, 6755 Wells Avenue, stated she opposes spiked fences and pointed out that there is a lot of wildlife that we are forcing to the streets because of fencing.

Jean Wilson, 4301 Barton Road, stated she would like to have the flexibility of a six foot open fence on top of a berm.

Item 1 (of the staff report)

Council agreed this needed to be resolved to see if there was a conflict with the General Plan before a decision can be made.

Item 2

Mayor Kelley and Councilmembers Millward, Morillas and Ucovich agreed with 3 foot solid and open fences, walls and berms allowed; allow vegetation by right and no regulation required on private streets.

Following further discussion on the matter, Council agreed to continue this item to January. On motion by Councilmember Scherer, seconded by Councilmember Millward and passed by voice vote.

BUSINESS

15. Energy Watch Partnership with Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Council is asked to approve a partnership with Pacific Gas & Electric Company to develop and encourage ways to conserve energy

Recommended action: Approve resolution

Public hearing:

Christine Hemming, Account Manager with PG&E, expounded on the program and answered questions.

Jim Doolittle, Motherlode Energy Watch, pointed out the following:

- they help administer the Energy Watch program
- this is a partnership between PG&E, cities and counties, and the Mother Lode Energy Watch
- the primary goal is to help cities and counties save energy
- he expounded on what they provide for the community at no cost and answered questions

No public comment.

Following further discussion on the matter, a motion was made to approve Resolution 07-30, Endorsing the Motherlode Energy Watch Partnership, a PG&E energy efficiency partnership, and authorizing the use of the Town's logo to market the program. On motion by Councilmember Millward, seconded by Councilmember Ucovich and passed by voice vote.

16. Winery Development Planning

Council is asked to discuss challenges and opportunities associated with winery development in Loomis

Recommended action: Discuss and give direction

Public comment:

Ron Morris, Secret Ravine Vineyards, stated the following:

- a small (boutique) winery would produce less then 20,000 cases (approximately 45,000 gallons of wine)
- a medium winery would produce from 20,000 to 100,000 cases
- Secret Ravine is running about 2,000 cases a year (around 45 tons of fruit)

Councilmember Ucovich would like to keep a small boutique winery at 3,000 cases or less.

Councilmember Scherer would like to see a boutique winery in the downtown area.

Rhonda would like a wine tasting facility in downtown or anywhere along the retail corridor in town.

Mayor Kelley supports the idea of a wine tasting facility in the downtown area.

Jean Wilson stated the following:

- she would like to see some flexibility and not just limit to small wineries
- they would have to go through a use permit and the neighbors would be noticed

Irene Smith, 6755 Wells Avenue, stated the following:

- she supports having tasting rooms downtown, it would be good for business
- she supports small boutique wineries and tasting rooms in the rural areas
- she is not in favor of the large wineries that may have crushers or events that would disrupt the rural character

Ron Morris stated the following:

- the issue is what kind of traffic that is generated not the quantity of wine cases
- crushers do not make a lot of noise, wineries are quiet
- he expounded on what it entails for processing wine

Ed Summers supports having a winery in downtown Loomis.

Councilmember Millward pointed out that we need to see where the best advantage for a crusher would be, downtown or out on the property.

Staff has direction.

17. <u>Directional Signs to Downtown</u> (Continued from November 13, 2007)

TC 11/13/07

Consider whether the Town should erect directional signs to inform and guide people to downtown Loomis

Recommended action: Discuss and give direction

Public comment:

Continue to January 8, 2007.

18. Sphere of Influence Study (Continued from 11/13/07)

TC 8/14/07

Councilmember Ucovich requested information regarding LAFCO and a sphere of influence study and the ongoing municipal service reviews being done by LAFCO

Recommended action: Discuss and give direction

Public comment:

Continue to January 8, 2007.

19. Downtown Business Owner Meeting

Council is asked to consider whether the Town should host a downtown business owner meeting to discuss challenges and opportunities in the downtown business district **Recommended action**: Advise of any items Council would like to see on a meeting agenda **Public comment**:

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Continue to January 8, 2007.

20. Sierra College Boulevard Profile (Continued from 11/13/07)

TC 10/9/07

Councilmember Ucovich would like to visit the issue of the Sierra College Boulevard Road Improvement profile

Recommended action: Discuss and give direction

Public comment:

Continue to January 8, 2007.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 21. Placer County Economic Development Commission Ucovich
- 22. Placer County Flood Control/Water Conservation District Morillas
- 23. Placer County Transportation Planning Agency Kelley/Millward
- 24. Placer County Mosquito Abatement Ucovich
- 25. Placer County Air Pollution Control District Millward/Ucovich
- 26. Sacramento Area Council of Governments Scherer/Kelley
- 27. Placer Land Trust ex-officio representative Scherer

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn at 9:59 p.m. On motion by Councilmember Ucovich , seconded by Councilmember Millward and passed by voice vote.

Mayor

Town Clerk